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from the PRESIDENT'S DESK

The ANA Convention is always the highlight of the year for TEC and 1991 promises to be even more outstanding than usual. This is the Centennial Year for the ANA and the 25th anniversary for TEC. (Tec was founded in Chicago in 1966). This is an open invitation to all of our members ------"Come join in the celebration in Chicago during the week of August 13 through 18, 1991".

If you read the news, (TEC News and other numismatic media, that is), you know of the many extraordinary events that are planned by the ANA. It has been eleborated on many times so I will only touch on highlights of the planned activities by TEC.

We will have a double booth on the midway with announcements on the public address system of narrrated demonstrations every four hours. We will have two elongating machines at this booth (one manually operated and the other a vending machine type). The elongated coin vending machine will be furnished by Miles Romney of Salt Lake City, Utah. It will offer a selection of four different coins for 50¢ each. We wil also have a display of TEC memorabilia at this booth.

Note: Trying to run a second booth on "Club Row" has been dropped. It proved to be too difficult to line up another crew with another machine. Consequently all TEC activities will be run from the Demonstration Booth.

Between demonstrations we will conduct our normal activties of meeting and greeting old and new friends along with publicizing our organization and promoting new membership.

We will have Free Hand-Outs including coins and a Special Convention Edition of TEC News. I have accumulated a large amount of over-runs from previous orders and saved them especially for hand-outs in Chicago. Similar donations from others would be appreciated.

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Membership dues in THE ELONGATED COLLECTORS are $5.00 per calendar year. Send your dues in check to the TEC secretary. Make your check payable to T.E.C.

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ATTENTION! IMPORTANT NOTICE!

The opinions written in the articles in the TEC NEWS are not necessarily those of the editor, or the officers of the TEC Club. The editor reserves the right to edit articles as deemed necessary. Articles unsigned will not be used. Short articles are preferred. Long articles will be put in two parts or put in when there is space for them. The entire contents of articles sent to the editor become the property of TEC and will not be returned, and none are to be reprinted, in whole or in part, without the written permission of the editor. Photos sent in with articles or ads must be sent to us already screened for printing, as our budget does not allow for this screening process. Sharp and clear newspaper photos can be used as these have already been screened for printing. Cannot use large photos. Derogatory articles will not be printed.

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NOTICE ALL ADVERTISERS

Advertising rates will remain the same for the present time, until a further study is made. Only camera ready ads will be accepted until further notice.
Camera ready - Full page ad $25.00; 1/2 page $15.00; 1/4 page $10.00.
Send your ad and check to TEC Editor. Make check payable to T.E.C.

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DEADLINE NOTICE

Deadline for articles and ads for October, November, Dec., 1991 issue is Sept. 15, 1991 Send as soon as possible!

from the President's Desk (continued)

In addition to these miscellaneous coins, we will have several special coins that will be rolled on site. (And I do mean several). All will be free except the Official Convention Elongated Coin. It will again be sold individually and in 6-coins sets. There will also be other items for sale including Convention Badges, 2x2 holders and other speciality items. Further, we expect to have Angelo Rosato at our table to promote his fascinating book the "Encyclopedia of the Modern Elongated". And -- who knows what else might happen!

Our Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 15th at 9:30 a.m. in room #11. Our regular Membership Meeting will follow at 11:00 a.m. in the same room.

In addition to seating officers for the next two years, I expect other important business to be presented. Such as proposals on Paid Life Membership, possible dues increase and increased rates for members residing in foreign countries. After all business matters are dealt with we will have our usual auction. The auction items will include a cancelled die set of 1990 TEC coins, the only available 1991 enameled TEC badge, plus some original artwork and dies of Lloyd Wagaman. Other donations are still being solicited. If you have anything that you wish to donate, please contact me, one of the other officers, or bring it with you.

Hope to see you, you and you at the convention, not only to enjoy your friendship but -- we need a lot of help to make this venture a success.

This issue of TEC News includes biographies of all candidates who have accepted a nomination for office in your organization for the next two years. I wish that there was more competition, but there does not seem to be many who are willing to challenge those currently in office. See important notice following the biographies.

Pictures of 1991 TEC Coins are not yet available, but may be before press time. If so, we will try to add them as a supplement. The coins for last year were great. Those for this year will be even better. They will have a 25th Anniversary theme. Orders for the 1991 Enameled Silver Convention badges closed on May 1st as advertised. The total of advance orders was 47, plus one for the archives and one for the auction for a grand total of 49. That is all that will be made!

Orders for regular convention badges are still open. As usual, they will be rolled on current year clad quarters. The price of $5.00 each will remain the same as previous recent years. We are anticipating a late run on these because of the 25th anniversary theme. Please order before the convention.

This is the third year of our participation with the ANA on the Official Convention Souvenir Elongated Coin Project. As indicated previously they will be rolled on site at our convention booth. They will be sold separately and also in sets.
Prices will be as follows: pennies - 50¢ each plus SASE. 6-coin sets, sealed in plastic - $7.00 post-paid. Order the bades and convention coins from our secretary, Ginnie Wilkinson.

from the President's Desk (continued)

The Lee Martin video tapes on "The Elongated Collector's" and "Making a Steel Die" are still available. The rental price is $10.00 for both, plus the return postage.

Books from our Lending Library are also available. We have "The Elongated Collector" by Dottie Dow; "Yesterday's Elongateds" by Lee Martin and Dottie Dow; "Today's Elongateds" by Lee Martin plus booklets by Lenard Babin, Angelo Rosato, Lloyd Wagaman and Chester Rogers. Any or all of them are available for a free-will donation and the cost of return postage.

An ample supply of straight cut 2x2 elongated coin holders is on hand. We still have a few of the angle cut style available also. The prices remain: 100 for $3.50; 500 for $16.50; and 1000 for $30.00; all post-paid. (Order the tapes, books and coin holders from me.)

Because of all other important matters I won't take up space detailing my personal activities other than stating that I have been busy. And -

I will issue a special coin to commemorate the ANA 100th Anniversary. It will feature the 100th anniversary logo. It will be rolled on 100 year old silver dollars (with the 1891 date showing on the reverse). The quantity issued will be limited to 100 and they will sell for $25.00 each. TEC members are being given the first chance to order. Place your order now! I anticipate no problem in selling all or the remainder at the convention.

Further, my price list is complete and is currently being printed. It will include "The largest selection of older elongated coins ever issued".

FLASH FLASH FLASH

We need a new Editor for TEC News. After doing a fantastic job for the last two years, Jim Singleton and his wife Sandy find it necessary to give the job up, due to work committments and pressing family responsbilities. I am sure that there are others that can do equally as well, but I would caution any volunteer that it is not an easy assignment.

New Editor - Please step forward! We need you!!

Finally, I want to thank my corp of officers for their support during the last two years. I am proud of our accomplishments. Considering the absence of a challenger for my job, I anticipate being re-elected for another term as President of your organization and pledge my contiued best efforts.

At this time I have no report of any member being sick. Best wishes for continued good health.

Ray Dillard

******** NOTICE **** NOTICE **** NOTICE ********

Considering that all of the existing officers accepted nominations to succeed themselves, and there were absolutely no challengers, it was decided to avoid the expense of a formal election. This decision will be presented at our membership meeting and if there is no serious objection, the existing officers will be declared elected by acclimation.

Ray Dillard, President TEC

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NOMINATIONS FOR TEC OFFICERS & BOARD

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FOR PRESIDENT OF TEC, RAYMOND W. DILLARD, FENTON, MICHIGAN

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After serving the past two years as President of TEC, I consider being nominated for another term a demonstration of confidence and approval of the accomplishments achieved during the past term. I am 66 years old, still full of vim, vigor and vitality, and dedicated to the fascinating hobby of elongated coins.

During the last two years, thanks to my supporting officers, the high quality of TEC News has been maintained and improved; Additional services to our members were instigated; our relationship with the Numismatic media and the ANA has been strengthened and the balance in our treasury has increased.

That is a hard combination to beat! It wasn't accomplished without a lot of hard work! However, if I am re-elected I will continue to put forth my best efforts with support of the membership and cooperation with other elected officials, I have no doubt that TEC can continue to move forward and claim our rightful place in the vast field of Numismatics.

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FOR VICE PRESIDENT OF TEC, "GUS" C.J. MECCARELLO POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y.

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I am proud to be a candidate for Vice President of TEC. I have been a collector of elongateds since childhood. I helped my Dad roll elongated coins when I was just able to pull the long handle of the machine without standing on a box. I have The Elongated Coin Museum with over 20,000 Elongateds that were rolled up to the 1960's. I have been V.P. of TEC for the past 2 years. I hold TEC membership number 40. I accept the nomination for Vice President and if elected will do my best to uphold the TEC tradition and work to make TEC better and stronger. Thank you for your vote.

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FOR TREASURER OF TEC, DON A. WILKINSON, METAIRIE, LOUISIANA

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I enjoyed my past two years serving as Treasurer and am hoping to serve for a second term. I am 64 years old and am retired military and Federal Civil Service. I am very proud to be a part of the "Dillard Team" and able to be of service to The Elongated Collectors.

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FOR SECRETARY OF TEC; IMOGEN "GINNIE" WILKINSON, METAIRIE, LA

I am pleased to have been renominated for TEC Secretary. I have enjoyed serving TEC for the last two years as Secretary and hope I have grown with the challenge in both awareness and knowledge of the hobby. I will continue trying to build what I hope is a good listening ear for the membership and a responsive voice to their questions. I do appreciate your confidence and your vote.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS; GINNIE ALDRIDGE, COLONIAL HEIGHTS, VIRGINIA

I am deeply touched to have been nominated to serve the Board of Directors of TEC for another term. Since 1981 I have actively worked for TEC as Vice Pres., Historian, Public Relations Representative and Director. Even more important, I attend the convention each year and participate in TEC affairs in person. Currently I am on the Board of Directors of International Organization of Wooden Money Collectors and American Numismatic Association District Delegate and Past Pres. of Virginia Numismatic Association and Dedicated Wooden Money Collectors. Happiness is being involved in helping TEC grow! Thank you for your vote.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: REVA M. KLINE, CAMILLUS, NY

I have lived all my life in Upstate New York. I recently retired from Marine Midland Bank of Syracuse, NY after 25 years of service. I am divorced and have one child, Patricia Kline-Walker and a Granddaughter Melissa. They are both collectors. In 1974, President Nixon appointed me to the Assay Commission. I am now a member of OTAC and have been an officer. I was the first woman to join the Cayuga County Coin Club of Auburn, NY and I am a past President. I am a past President of Syracuse Numismatic Assoc. We give each member an elongated cent each year. I am the founder and past president of Mismatic Coin Club. I have collected elongated coins for many years and have displayed them many times, as well as given talks about them. I will be happy to serve a two year term on the TEC Board of Directors.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: RUSS SEARS, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

I started collecting exonumia about 12 years ago, beginning with the Civil War tokens. It wasn't long after that when I decided that the historical significance of the various types of exonumia was more than just a little interesting. While my primary collection since that time has been Baltimore tokens, medals and other historically interesting items, I have managed to put together a very nice collection of elongated pieces of history. I have found that elongateds are facinating souvenirs of the past, and consider them inexpensive relative to the cost of other types of collectibles.

In the last 12 years, I have served as Vice-President and President of the Maryland Token and Medal Society, Governor in the Civil War Token Society, and on the Board of the Elongated Collectors. Additionally, I have given numerous talks on various exonumia topics including elongateds. It is a pleasure to be involved with the Elongated Collectors.

NOTES FROM THE SECRETARY

Gin Wilkinson

MEMBERSHIP TEC continues to attract new collectors. New members are enthusiastic and hungry for information. The sponsoring members are doing a good job. Thanks to all of you.

DUES I need to remind members to check and make sure you paid your dues! In checking the books, I found a number of long time members aren't up to date. Course, you may plan on paying at the Convention, but in case you just forgot. Don't forget to get yours in.

WE NEED YOUR HELP! I have had a lot of conversation with friends and acquaintances about The Elongated Collectors. There is always something exciting and new to share and most people are very receptive to our hobby. A question that came often was "Are all members as eager as you are?" I explained that I was the current Secretary, and had a husband who was a roller and also held a current office with TEC - So it was definitely a shared enjoyment and family affair, (I didn't tell them most of our children were members too!) All of this got me to thinking about that eagerness we feel when we do things that we enjoy. Also how important that quality is in putting life into an organization and that same excitement is what new participants give with their fresh outlook. This year in Chicago, TEC officers and board will be looking for some eager faces who would like to get into being an active part of TEC. We hope that those of you who can't make it, but would like to serve in some capacity will take time and write and introduce yourself and express that interest. We need you!

SIGN OFF 1991 has been a different pace for the world. It has given the American people time to get reacquainted with the world and it's problems, and taken the stress off some of our own. It has given us some new perspectives into our own lives and made us more appreciative of our freedoms and prosperity in a world where there are people who have no freedom and next to nothing to sustain themselves. I hope we all benefit from this look at reality. We are truly blessed.

********** CELEBRATE **********

1891 ANA-100th 1991 ***** 1966 TEC-25th 1991 ***** 1961 TAMS-30th 1991

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Best wishes to ANA-TEC-TAMS & GSTEA members in Chicago! Have fun, enjoy the show and whatever you don't do - don't sit on your elongate! Buying merchant/trade tokens and elongated/encased coins from Georgia. R. W. Colbert, 4156 Livsey Road, Tucker, GA 30084-2547.

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TEC 2X2'S - FOR SALE

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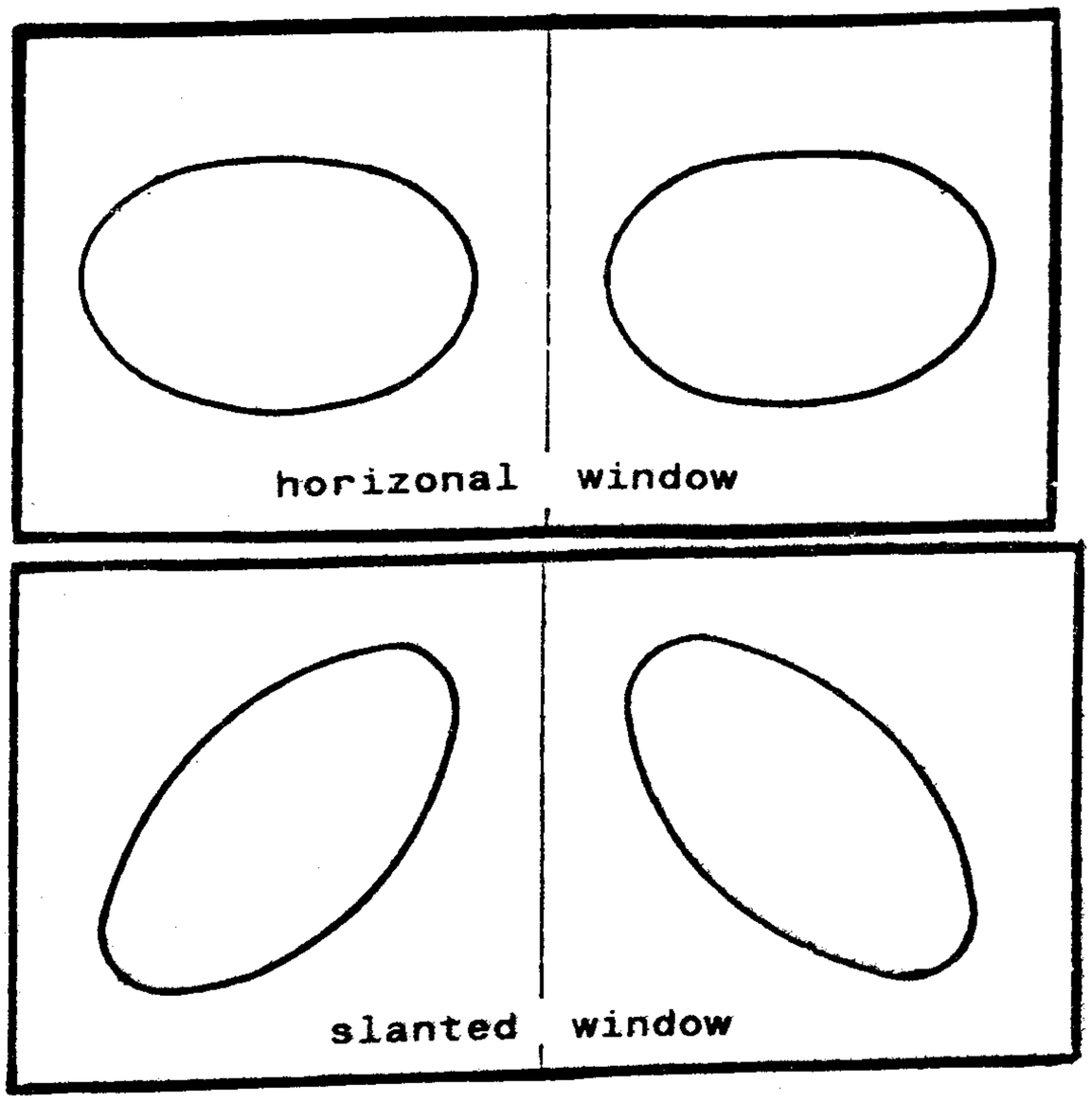
Your club has special high quality 2X2 elongated coin holders for sale. There are two types, the slanted window and the horizonal window type, both available in white only. Be certain to specify which window type you want. Prices include postage prepaid. (Non-US addresses please add extra for postage). **Make checks payable to TEC. Send orders to:**

100 for $3.50
500 for $16.50
1000 for $30.00

RAY DILLARD
P.O.Box 161,
Fenton, MI 48430



WANTED! Elongated rolling machine, used. Especially interested in machine taking 2 1/2" roller. Send specs with stated condition / information to: David Wernke Box 58, Pierre, SD 57501

TREASURER'S REPORT

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Don A. Wilkinson
TEC Treasurer

PERIOD; FEBRUARY 23, 1991 THRU MAY 23, 1991

OPENING BANK BALANCE; FEBRUARY 23, 1991	$5,245.95
RECEIPTS; (DUES, COIN & BADGE SALES, VIDEO TAPE RENTALS, 2X2 SALES, BANK ACCOUNT INTEREST, MEMBERSHIP LIST SALES, TEC NEWS ADS.)	$2,002.44
EXPENDITURES; (TEC QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER, PURCHASE OF ELONGATED 2X2'S, BANK CHECKS)	$3,167.21
CURRENT BANK BALANCE, MAY. 23,1991;	$4,081.18

Wilkinson

DON A. WILKINSON TEC 1079
TREASURER

Notes from your Editor....

Well, they say time flies when you're having fun. I must be having fun, because the last two years have sure gone by fast. Maybe two years is not a long time to serve as editor of a newsletter, but it's time for me to give it up. Sandy and I have debated long and hard concerning this decision, but we just can't continue with the newsletter at this time.

If you'd like to try your hand at the editors' job, contact Ray Dillard. Take warning - it's an awful lot of work. If you have the time to put in this job, it's rewarding, but it's also time consuming. Just be sure you have the time to commit before you make your offer.

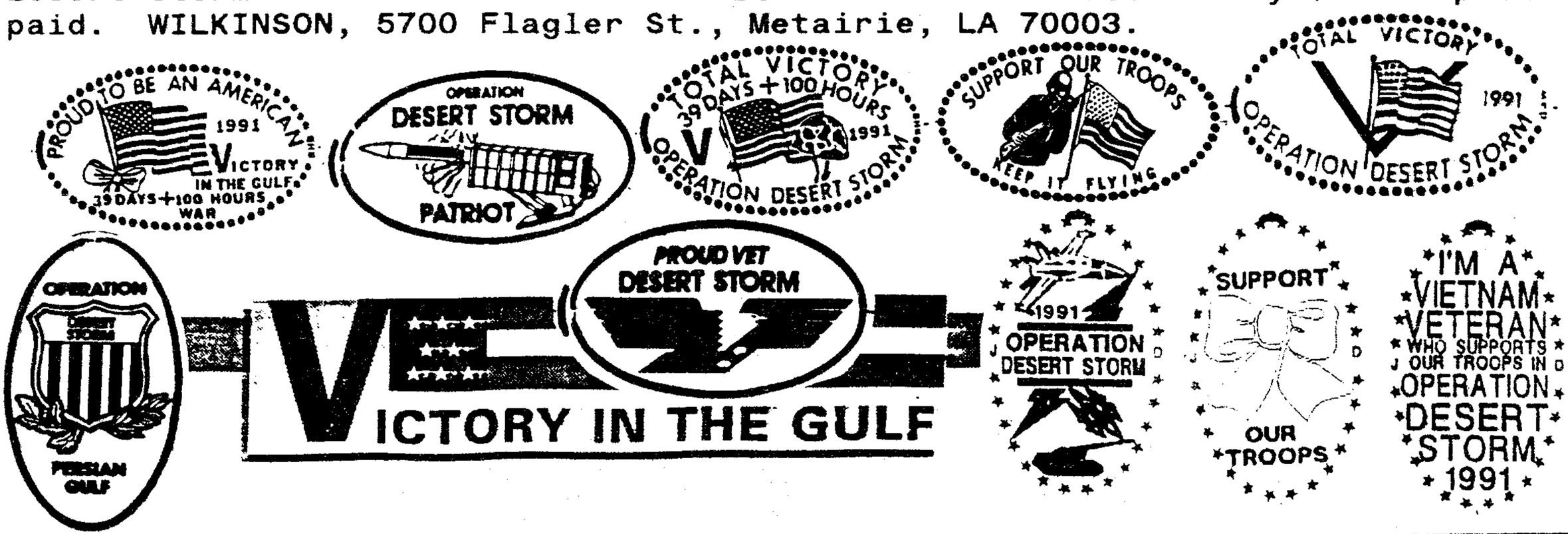
All members who have not paid their dues, please be advised that this is your last newsletter, unless you get your dues to Ginnie Wilkinson before the deadline of the next newsletter (September 15, 1991). We don't want to lose any of you as members, so hopefully, it's only an oversight, and you'll bring your dues up to date.

We'd like to thank everyone for their contributions of articles and advertisements for the newsletter. If you submitted more than one article, we plan to use one of them in the special ANA issue.

Preparations are being made for the ANA Convention in Chicago, Illinois. Hope everyone who attends has a great time!

Jim Singleton

OPERATION DESERT SHIELD/STORM ELONGATED COIN COLLECTION! Twenty eight (28) different. "Support Our Troops, Total Victory, SCUD and Patriot Missile, Keep Our Soldiers Safe, Keep It Flying, U.S. Frees Kuwait, Proud Desert Storm Veteran" and more! All 28 different coins only $13.00 post paid. WILKINSON, 5700 Flagler St., Metairie, LA 70003.



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JUNIOR MEMBER CORNER

G. WILKINSON
TEC 1332

We took a trip to Chicago last month and stopped off at Terre Haute, Indiana and called on Frank and Jane Brazzell. Frank has a U.S. Presidential set of elongated cents that I would like to share with you. The Presidents feature a total 40 coins covering the past presidents to Ronald Reagan, and the current President George Bush, our 41st President. Now, this made me ask the question as to why there are only 40 coins? It turns out that one man served as president 2 times but not consecutively - thus, Grover Cleveland is listed as the 22nd and 24th President, with Benjamin Harrison serving a term in between as our 23rd President.

The engraved likeness of the presidents make an attractive and clean image on elongated coins. It was interesting to me how many of the presidents I did recognize since its been quite some time and a few presidents since I had to learn and identify them for my sixth grade history class. The total set is not done in a single format and thus you have a mixed presentation. Some show the term of office years, while others present the life span, or a special occasion or reason for honoring or creating a coin for that particular president. It is a very special group and one I think most of you would like to have. The collection is a nice compliment to go with the US Presidential Stamp Series, in case any of you are collecting postage stamps as well.

Frank also showed us some other series coins which can keep everyone going. Airplanes, cars,Sports figures including baseball players for you baseball card collectors, and many more. A.A. Rosata's new book shows a state flag series which looks pretty special as well. I hope some of the rollers who have other series coins will share them with us. I've asked for any input for this column and would love to know what else is out there

The Presidential coins aren't flash cards, but I found they fill a very special a place in my album and it won't hurt my memory either!. I asked Frank if he would mind if I featured them this month and he gave me permission. If any of you would like to own this US President Series, Frank will send you the 40 coin set, mounted in 2x2's and placed in 20 pocket pages for $10.00 Postpaid. Please let him know that you read about it here and he'll include a LAGNIAPPE! HAPPY COLLECTING!
SEND ORDERS TO: Frank Brazzell, 1501 Davis Ave, Terre Haute, IN 47802.

WHO ROLLED THOSE BRASS PLANCHETS?

by

"Doug" Fairbanks, Sr. TEC#623

First I located "Unlisted" Ill-chi #39. Then "Unlisted" Simul. #21 showed up. Now member "Ginnie" Aldridge has turned up another, which temporarily I shall assign Simul. #22 "Unlisted".

Rolled horiz. w/rope border.

At left side an anchor. At center, a tall monument. At right side, a sailboat. Seven birds depicted, and bushes on either side of front of monument. Only lettering on "coin" is concave at slightly right bottom edge/Provincetown/.

(On brass planchet, slightly larger than a cent.)

Would this be Provincetown, Rhode Island or Provincetown, Mass., or some other designated location?

Did the roller or rollers, roll other coin denominations? Who were the engravers? How many were rolled on brass or other planchets. When were they rolled?

Intriguing questions which I need help to obtain answers! Will attempt to locate more information, and so advise in future issues of TEC News.

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Make offer - John G. Spadone's Newsletters. Yes, John put out a newsletter starting with #1, July, 1970 to newsletter #23, October, 1975. These are all one page newsletters. Very interesting. Also, John put our Auction bid sheets. Auction #1, June, 1970 through Auction #24, November, 1975. All these auction sheets with prices realized. You can see elongates that went for over $200.00. Very interesting! Write Elongated Coin Museum, 228 Vassar Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

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Elongated reference material for sale: 1. The Elongated Collector by Dottie Dow. Hard-cover w/dust jacket - $27.50 p.p. 2. Yesterday's Elongateds by Martin-Dow. Hard-cover/dust jacket - $67.50 p.p. 3. Guide to Unlisteds by Fairbanks - $3.00 p.p. Write "Doug" Fairbanks, Sr., 5937 Beadle Drive, Jamesville, N.Y. 13078

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For Sale: 1991 GSTEA Tour token to "The World of Coca Cola". Rolled on a Lincoln cent or Jefferson Nickel, $1.00 each plus return sase. Same elongated on an aluminum-alloy blank (only 52 issued). $2.00 each plus return SASE. Complete three-piece set, $4.00 plus return SASE with 52¢ postage. Orders processed on a first come basis. Please make check or m.o. payable to G.S.T.E.A. and address order to GSTEA Tour Tokens - 1991, c/o R. W. Colbert, 4156 Livsey Road, Tucker, Georgia 30084-2547.

"Doodlebug" Data
by
John G. Spadone

I have written about the "Doodlebug" elongate in the past. David J. Singer, the roller, said that it was a kiddie ride at the 1933-34 Chicago Fair. He rolled some, but never kept one for himself, nor did he ever describe it in any publication. David said that the elongate wasn't selling so Bert Elmer, the engraver, cancelled it for another selection.

After some research, I discovered the "H & K Enterprise, Inc." Provided the "Bug" Ride (allege Doodlebug?) at the beach midway site #110, and the "Auto Scooter", "Auto Ride" at the Enchanted Island site #125.

The "Bug" ride was a wavy trip inside a canvas caterpillar over a circular track. The catapult, a flat ride spins us around and around in a round basket car.

A letter from a reader provides the following about the ride called the "Bug". It consists of two-person cars in series covered by tarp painted to look like a caterpillar. As I recall, the ride wasn't very scary or impressive. I rode it with my sister once and even the cover came down. It didn't interest us. So we never rode it again. I remember the ride emitted lots of noise, horns, sirens and looked attractive from the outside. Among my souvenirs is my 50 admission tickets to the fair. They were in a leatherette case, with my picture and signature, so others couldn't use it, and cost $7.50 or 15¢ a ride. I used all but 17 tickets. My photo was the type you get in a little booth of a dime store (they had no polaroids then) and the fair imprint around the border.

I write about the "Doodle Bug" because it's unlisted, don't have one, and have no idea what it looks like.

If you follow the style of the engraver, Bert Elmer, it will probably have "Bug" or "Doodlebug Ride - 1934" across the top; "Ride" in center; and "Century of Progress Chicago" across bottom. Anyone who has information, photo, postal card or comments on the "Doodlebug", please share it with your fellow collectors. Write to John G. Spadone, 4872 N.W. 171 Ter, Miami, Fl 33055-4260.

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The Thrill Involved

by Peter Di Lillo TEC # 1202

Upon reading Jack Rosenbluth's article in Vol. 25 #4 issue of the TEC News (Oct.-Dec.'90' page 23) I realized I am not alone, in that other members of TEC also get a thrill when they have determined what date a particular elongate was rolled on. Being meticulous, I like to gather as much information as I possibly can, for the elongates in my collection. Quite often I have so much information that it has to be continued on the back side of the 2X2. Sometimes it is difficult to be able to pin down the exact year and mintmark, but if you are patient, and have a fairly decent magnifying glass (I feel anything greater than 10X is unnecessary), and you know what general area of the elongate you should be looking at (a circular area whose diameter is 1/8 to 1/4 inch) then you should have no problem. Sometimes this information cannot be determined, when you feel you have reached this point, this is what I recommend: Stand up, take a deep breath, and scratch your head once or twice (more if you feel it's necessary) and then start over again. Before you finally give up (and I have given up quite a few times) it would be wise to: 1) Be sure you are concentrating on the correct date area of the elongate, if you have an unrolled item of the elongate (country, denomination, etc.) keep flipping it over, at the same time flipping the elongate over in an identical way. This will help you to make sure that the date is in the area you are concentrating your search on. If you do not have the same item unrolled then the reference book which list's the item might help. 2) Also keep in mind if the elongate was once a token or medal you might not have to flip it from top to bottom, but from side to side (also, it might not be dated). 3) Keep in mind that tilting the elongate will often let light hit it in such a way that makes the date pop right out at you. 4) Also keep in mind your light source should be one you are comfortable with. I have used a grading lamp, a fluorescent lamp, and an incandescent lamp. I have found that I am most comfortable with a regular incandescent lamp, with a 75 watt light bulb (either a bulb called cool, or soft white by the manufacturer), which is also the most economical of the three light sources mentioned. Final note, the longer it takes to determine the date your elongate was rolled on, the greater the thrill you will feel when you've uncovered the date, especially if it turns out to be a significant year in your life, year of birth, year of marriage, or maybe the year you joined TEC. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the officers of TEC for the absolutely fine work they have done to keep this club a mecca of education, information, and fun.

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Commemorated Club Issues: 1890-1985-1990. All 3 for $3.00, or $1.00 each. State year wanted, plus a SASE. (one 29¢ stamp ok.) Write to Chuck Warnstedt, TEC#775, 351 N. LaVergne, Chicago, Il 60641-3438

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Chicago, Chicago

By Allen Curtis TEC 1442

In my old hometown of Berea, Ohio, live Louise and Dave, very special friends of mine. They collect Berea related antiques and mementos. Louise and Dave do not collect elongateds because there have been none produced that relate to their favorite city. Through our frequent correspondence with each other Louise and Dave do, however, know what elongateds are and what they look like.

On a fine Sunday in the spring of this year, Louise and Dave went to an antique show in nearby Medina, Ohio. At one booth Louise spied two elongateds. When she asked to look at them, the dealer told her that he would sell her the pair for $1.00. He also let her know that he really did not know what they were. Louise examined them with a magnifying glass and saw that both commemorated the Chicago World's Fair. Louise figured that any souvenir of that 1933 exposition should certainly be worth more than 50 cents; thus, she bought the pair.

A few days later those two elongated cents were in my mailbox in Williamsburg, Virginia. It was a surprise gift from Louise and Dave! Quickly I referred to my copy of Yesterday's Elongateds to discover the following: The elongated featuring the Belgian Village was listed as ILL-CPIE 16. The other promoting Fort Dearborn was ILL-CPIE 72a. The book's suggested 1981 prices for the elongateds are $3.01 to $6.00 for the former and $6.01 to $12.00 for the latter.

So, you see there are still some spectacular bargains in "oldies" out there. And, I got mine in the best possible way - through the thoughtfulness of cherished friends.

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Wanted to buy: Encased cents, elongates from all early expositions (pre-1940). Please send your list with Dow#, condition and price to Randy Greenfield, 19822 Carnation Lane, Castro Valley, CA 94546. (415)538-9965, evenings. TEC#1642

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JIM DUNDON TEC # 1040 THE PENNY PINCHERS
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Sure is hard to believe that summer is already upon us, and 1991 is almost half over. I want to thank the members who responded to my ad in the previous newsletter, and I hope everyone enjoyed the desert storm coin. It sure is good to have the country feeling good about itself. Wherever I travel, the feeling seems to be the same all over. It is a nice change.

I received two letters from two different club members that prompted me to do a chore that I had been putting at the back of my list of things to do, that is, to get all of my dies sorted, labeled, cataloged, and listed. What a job that was!! Doug Fairbanks has been after me for years to get a list together, and then I get a notice from Angelo Rosato about a supplement book that will pick up where "THE BOOK" left off, and if I want to be included, I will have to fulfill certain requirements, one of which is a listing of all the dies that either I have made myself, or have had made for me. These two requests, plus the guilt from putting it off for so long, got me going on a month long project. I also decided at this point that I may as well get a complete flyer together, since I would now have the necessary information.

I generally just roll a few coins from rings that have been made, throw them in a draw, put a name on it, and let it go at that. Someone calls about a machine, I reach in ,grab a few samples of what can be done, and I never knew what I had,or how many. The end result being that for some of the dies that were sold with the machines, I no longer have any coins, except one for my personal collection. In some cases I only have a few and they are not full prints, the best ones having been sent off. Well, in doing the sorting, cataloging, and getting specimens for Angelo, I realize just how foolish I had been.

It was both strange and rewarding to go back through the older dies that were made. It was like re-living the experience surrounding the event that caused the die to be made. Conversations with Chet Rogers and Adam Cool came back like they happened yesterday. What a revelation it was to go over all of Adam's work. Made me realize just how far I have to go as a die-maker to get to his level of expertise. I'll always regret that I never found the time to take him up on his offer to teach me his methods. All that knowledge gone forever. What a waste. At least we have his coins to look at. There is nothing that compares to a hand-cut die. I am getting some pretty fine detail with my acid etch and rotary engraving but it sure pales in comparison to hand cutting. Perhaps, someday, I will get there. To any member who doesn't yet have some of the hand engraved dies of the past masters, I urge you to get a few specimens.

Anyway, the end result is that I completed the list and am sending the results off to Angelo today. I also have a few listings available for sale. There are actually two parts, one a numerical price list and the other is a full size picture of the coin with the number and die maker specified. I used the actual film positives in most cases, and for the older dies that Adam cut, I made a rough drawing of the die and photo copied the coin also. It makes identifying very easy. The dies start back with the ring I used at the 1980 Winter Olympics and go through the last two dies that I made this year, The Kentucky Derby (dated May4,1991), and the Preakness (dated May 18,1991). This listing is for sale for $5 and that will include postage and five coins, my choice of designs. I will surely include a couple of Adam's coins.

I suggested to Angelo that his latest addition be of a loose leaf style, so that yearly updates could be purchased at a modest cost and inserted into the proper section. Additional binders could be purchased from him as the work grows.

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I hate to point this out but, the work could also be continued by others in the event of his demise. Going over Adam's work made me aware of how transient life is. Angelo's first book is definitely something to behold and should be in every collector's library. It does have a hefty, though not inappropriate, price tag. I told him that I think the loose leaf style would appeal to more members and the general public because it would have only modern issues, which cost less and are more readily available to serious collectors, as well as to hobbyists. I urge the TEC membership to write to Angelo and let him know which type of follow-up book you would be interested in. Another definitive study, nicely bound at high cost, or a living , growing, loose leaf style at moderate cost. Tell him what **YOU** would buy, and then follow through and buy it when he is done.

I am afraid that with the number of machine out there, and the number of dies being made, Angelo would be another ten years getting all of the new info together and still be behind the moment he publishes!! All current die makers could send him a monthly listing and he could publish a yearly filler every March or so. The work would always be current and everyone would have a wealth of information at their fingertips. What do you think? I suggest a postcard to Angelo, and when writing, If you need a response, send a stamped self addressed envelope along. Looking up and filling out addresses can be a real chore while answering a bunch of letters, stamps add up too. It is only 29 cents, but if you have to answer twenty letters, it gets expensive. So just send him a message to indicate your preference, go with a postcard and don't expect a reply. He can put a letter in the TEC news. Isn't that what the newsletter is all about, let's use it to it's fullest potential. I hope that all of you are not as lengthy as I am or we will go bankrupt!

Reviewing my coins,I took all the coins that were too short, too long, tarnished, or zinc and threw them into a bucket, a **BIG BUCKET**, I estimate 11,000 coins ! From now on, I am only going to use solid copper and insure that every coin is a 100% print. If a coin comes out a little too long, or a little short of a full border, it will hit the bucket. If you order any coin from my open rolls, they will all be bright copper with full prints. The coins from sold or cancelled dies still have some zinc, brown coppers, and in a few cases less than full borders. From the **BUCKET**, I am offering 100 coins for just $16.00. Send $20 and I will include my catalogue and price list, $35/200 + cat, $49/300 + cat $62/400 + cat., and $70 gets 500+ catalogue. Shipping and insurance is included. Dealers can call for larger quantity discounts. A great way to pick up some of Adam's work at cheap prices if you don't mind them being tarnished, zinc, or a little too long or short.

Think on what I've written, better yet **ACT ON IT** write a letter!

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MODERNS VS UNLISTEDS

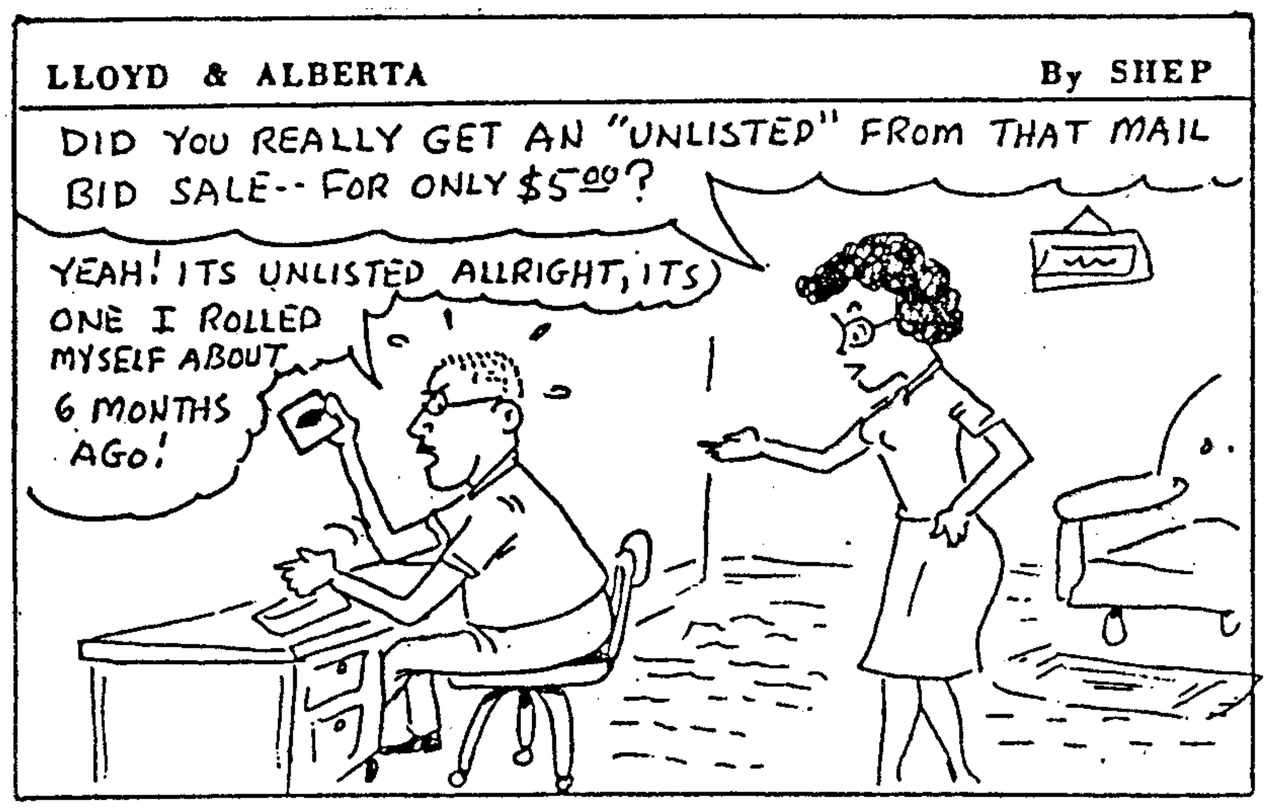
- by Angelo A. Rosato -

BUYERS BEWARE! KNOW YOUR DEALER! Better still, know what not to buy! - Most of us who have collected elongateds understand the difference between a modern elongated and, for the lack of a better descriptive, those defined as "oldies." In the event one is unfamiliar with the division between the two intervals, the oldies are those beginning in 1893 up thru the 1940s. Because of the "Federal Scare" there was a dormant period in the production of elongateds lasting 20 years. What are now known as "modern" elongateds, they began to appear in the early 1960s.

Because of the new interest in the elongated coin, which all began in 1965 with the release of Dow's book listing older specimens, many of the olden pieces began to surface soon after the book's publication. These were quickly identified as "unlisteds." A new idiomatic word was born!!

In the 1970s, the unlisted elongated was a tremendous and exciting phenomenon in the world of collecting elongateds. There was a wild scramble to possess these elusive ovalized coins of a past era. And because of the high enthusiasm many had fetched some outlandish prices. - Although not as dramatic as 20 years ago, unlisted specimens are still emerging even though more than 435 have been listed in books by Lee Martin & Dow "YESTERDAYS ELONGATEDS" (1981) and A. A. Rosato's "ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE MODERN ELONGATED." (1990).

THE ELUSIVE UNLISTED



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Presently, there are dealers of exonomia material that include elongateds and who have listings offering a preponderance of various elongated coins. The problem is, however, among the large assortment there are a great many "modern" elongateds being offered as "unlisteds." At first thought, because of the connotation in reference to older specimens, many are being sold as unlisted when actually they are not, and at ridiculous prices! For example, in a recent listing, a modern elongated produced in 1965 is being offered as an unlisted for an unprecedented price of $13.50. Hundreds of these were made and the die to this day is still "open" and not destroyed. The specimen should be offered for no more than 75¢.

As the author of my new book, illustrating thousands of specimens produced from the 1960s on up, more than 100 modern elongateds listed in the book are being offered on dealers listings as unlisteds and tragically at bizarre prices! This can be an absolute detriment

and an unfavorable circumstance in the hobby. A collector must keep in mind that thousands of elongateds have been produced since the last listing of over 4000 specimens introduced and annotated in my book. - On the other hand, although sparce, there are olden elongateds that are still emerging. And, rightfully so, these unlisted pieces should continue to be listed and properly coded among the so-called "oldies."

Since 1965, most of the modern elongateds fabricated are those from known individuals. My book has a simple code system of three letters identifying the roller/producer and a numbering arrangement in accordance to sequence of when the elongated was first issued. The code system was designed specifically to separate the modern elongateds from those of older productions. It is a simple method to divide and prevent confusion between the new from that of the old.

Much more can be said about the "modern" vs the "oldies," but due to lack of space it will have to wait for another writing. For now, a remaining word of caution is in order to that which has been written herein. Moreover, of those members who have not yet invested in a copy of my book, please consider the significance of being able to identify and evaluate your elongated acquisitions. Be aware before you make that elongated purchase. Do not get involved or influenced by listings that are falsely representing the elongated coin. The money saved through the knowledge expressed in the book, will more than pay back its purchase price. Order yours now! Fill out the order form below and receive a bonus gift with your copy.

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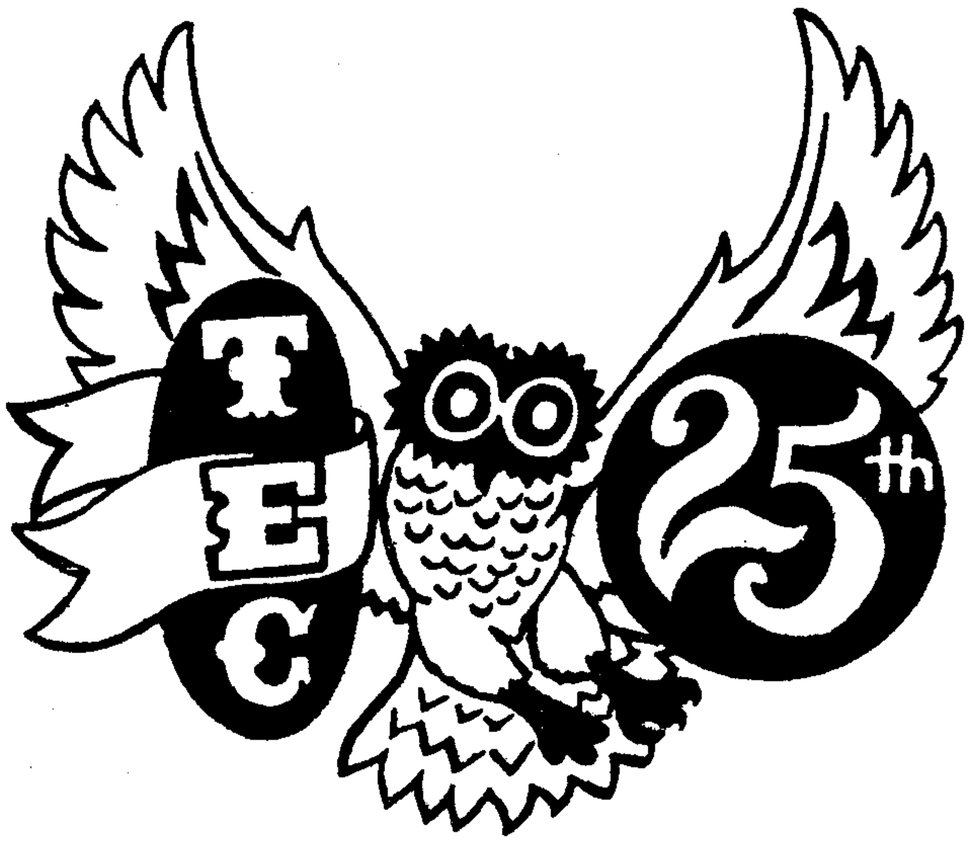

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